

1867 1883 complete
1855

Brooklyn Bridge
John A. Roebling (1806-1869),
a German-born American engineer
constructed the 1st truly modern
suspension bridge in 1855

Towers support massive cables.
Stiffening deck below to prevent
oscillation

1867 He was given job of Brooklyn Bridge.
Just as construction began he died of

Tidones (crushed foot)

His son Washington A Roebling (1837-1926)

Assumed responsibility

14 yrs later in 1883 the bridge was
Completed